

EC-2787. A communication from the Chair of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the six-month period from April 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2788. A communication from the Senior Advisor, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to two (2) vacancies in the Department of Health and Human Services, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 30, 2021; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-2789. A communication from the Agency Representative, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Setting and Adjusting Patent Fees During Fiscal Year 2020" (RIN0651-AD31) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 30, 2021; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2790. A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to notifying Congress that the Commission did not complete or initiate competitive sourcing for conversion in fiscal year 2020, nor do they plan to do so in fiscal year 2021; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. DURBIN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

S. 1425. A bill to enable the Federal Trade Commission to deter filing of sham citizen petitions to cover an attempt to interfere with approval of a competing generic drug or biosimilar, to foster competition, and facilitate the efficient review of petitions filed in good faith to raise legitimate public health concerns, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. REED for the Committee on Armed Services.

*John Bradley Sherman, of Texas, to be Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense.

*Carrie Frances Ricci, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Army.

*Ashish S. Vazirani, of Maryland, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of Defense.

Army nomination of Brig. Gen. William J. Prendergast IV, to be Major General.

Army nomination of Col. Jackie L. Thompson, Jr., to be Brigadier General.

Space Force nomination of Col. Timothy A. Sejba, to be Brigadier General.

Army nomination of Brig. Gen. Roger D. Lyles, to be Major General.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Brig. Gen. James H. Adams III and ending with Brig. Gen. Christian F. Wortman, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on December 1, 2021.

Mr. REED. Mr. President, for the Committee on Armed Services I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORDS on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the ex-

pense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Air Force nomination of Troy J. Johnson, to be Major.

Air Force nomination of Mary T. Guest, to be Colonel.

Air Force nomination of Eric J. Jordan, to be Colonel.

Air Force nominations beginning with Zachary P. Augustine and ending with Michael L. Toomer, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 27, 2021.

Air Force nominations beginning with Chad A. Bellamy and ending with Andrew L. Thornley, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 27, 2021.

Air Force nominations beginning with Ross Andrew Brown and ending with Lisa Marie Wotkowicz, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 27, 2021.

Air Force nominations beginning with Kip T. Averett and ending with Daniel S. Walker, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 27, 2021.

Air Force nominations beginning with Shawn J. Alves and ending with Alexander J. Zoll, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 27, 2021.

Air Force nominations beginning with Patrick E. Bracken and ending with Thaddaeus J. Werner, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 27, 2021.

Air Force nomination of Anthony W. Perez, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Air Force nomination of Dustin R. Meredith, to be Major.

Air Force nominations beginning with George L. Chapman and ending with Michael L. Yanzon, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 15, 2021.

Air Force nominations beginning with Luis J. Adames and ending with Michael J. Willen, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 15, 2021.

Air Force nomination of Rebecca L. Hess, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Air Force nominations beginning with Angelica M. Drexel and ending with William R. Singiser, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 15, 2021.

Air Force nomination of Kyle P. Allen, to be Major.

Air Force nominations beginning with Sean M. Batzer and ending with Lenard W. Tol, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 15, 2021.

Air Force nominations beginning with Ashley D. Brown and ending with Alexander T. Pingree, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 15, 2021.

Air Force nomination of Ross C. Stanley, to be Major.

Air Force nominations beginning with Brandon R. Abel and ending with Brandon A. Zuercher, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 15, 2021.

Air Force nominations beginning with Bradley D. Altman and ending with Robert J. Yates III, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 15, 2021.

Air Force nominations beginning with Alicia D. Abrams and ending with James A. Wright, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 15, 2021.

Air Force nomination of Simone E. Zacharias, to be Major.

Air Force nomination of Adrian A. Andrews, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Richard J. Sonnenfeld, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Andrea N. Apple, to be Major.

Army nominations beginning with Robert J. Abbott and ending with Megan Wakefield, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 27, 2021.

Army nomination of Tanya K. Bindernagel, to be Major.

Army nominations beginning with Grant T. Alexis and ending with Thomas J. Witkowski, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 27, 2021.

Army nomination of Gabrielle L. Murray, to be Major.

Army nomination of Michael R. Ruiz, to be Major.

Army nomination of Nicholas J. Beck, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Army nomination of Peter A. Doblal, to be Major.

Army nomination of Francis E. Igo IV, to be Major.

Army nomination of Ken M. Woods, to be Major.

Army nominations beginning with Katharine M. E. Adams and ending with Hans P. Zeller, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 1, 2021.

Army nominations beginning with Alejandro L. Buniag, Jr. and ending with Michael W. Weaver, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 1, 2021.

Army nomination of Erica A. Wheatley, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Jamison S. Nielsen, to be Colonel.

Army nominations beginning with Robert P. Lewis and ending with Scot W. McCosh, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 1, 2021.

Army nomination of Jader A. Morales, to be Major.

Army nomination of Moises Salinas, to be Major.

Army nomination of Michael S. Schwamberger, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Kyle A. Lippold, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Army nomination of Taylor K. Opel, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Army nominations beginning with Shawn G. Abbe and ending with Nathaniel C. Stone, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 15, 2021.

Army nomination of Jamie E. Mueller, to be Major.

Army nominations beginning with Peter S. Black and ending with Robert G. Sacca, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 17, 2021.

Army nomination of Edward W. Lumpkins, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Gina M. Farrington, to be Major.

Army nomination of Disa L. Rifkin, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Jessica K. Smyth, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Army nomination of Brock A. Chavez, to be Major.

Marine Corps nomination of Eric A. Walraven, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Marine Corps nomination of Daniel T. Celotto, to be Colonel.

Marine Corps nomination of Jason A. Retter, to be Major.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Ryan P. Allen and ending with Matthew P. Zummo, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 15, 2021.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Nicholas P. Adams and ending with John B. Zimmer, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 17, 2021.

Navy nomination of Stephen M. Dyer, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nominations beginning with Mitchell I. Bell and ending with Patrick Z. X. Yu, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 1, 2021.

Navy nomination of Matthew C. Dennis, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nomination of Joseph M. Molina, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nomination of Stephen B. Koye, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nomination of Michael J. Urbaitis, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nominations beginning with Alexander C. Charalambous and ending with Taibatu E. I. Obasi, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on December 2, 2021.

Space Force nominations beginning with Christina N. Gillette and ending with D. S. Rogers, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 1, 2021.

Space Force nominations beginning with Albert J. Ashby and ending with John C. Zingarelli, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 15, 2021.

Space Force nomination of Kevin G. Amsden, to be Colonel.

Space Force nomination of Travis Richard Prater, to be Colonel.

By Mr. WYDEN for the Committee on Finance.

*Lisa W. Wang, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

*Maria Louise Lago, of New York, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. BROWN, and Mr. DUCKWORTH):

S. 3333. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to improve the accessibility of airline information and entertainment programming provided by air carriers on passenger flights, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mr. MURPHY):

S. 3334. A bill to extend the authority for the establishment of a commemorative work to honor enslaved and free black persons who served in the American Revolution, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. THUNE (for himself and Mr. MARKEY):

S. 3335. A bill to provide liability protection for the sharing of information regarding suspected fraudulent, abusive, or unlawful robocalls, illegally spoofed calls, and other illegal calls by or with the registered consortium that conducts private-led efforts to trace back the origin of suspected unlawful robocalls, and for the receipt of such information by the registered consortium, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. CASSIDY (for himself and Mr. BURR):

S. 3336. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act with respect to the scheduling of fentanyl-related substances, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LUJÁN (for himself and Ms. SMITH):

S. 3337. A bill to protect Native children and promote public safety in Indian country; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. BLUNT (for himself and Mr. HAWLEY):

S. 3338. A bill to revise the boundary of the Ste. Genevieve National Historical Park in the State of Missouri, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. WARNOCK (for himself, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. REED, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. SMITH, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. HIRONO, and Mr. VAN HOLLEN):

S. 3339. A bill to limit cost sharing for prescription drugs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. PADILLA (for himself and Mr. WICKER):

S. 3340. A bill to establish a competitive grant program to provide assistance to support small businesses and business district revitalization in low-income, rural, and minority communities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. MORAN (for himself, Mr. TESTER, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. BRAUN, Ms. SINEMA, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. HIRONO, and Mr. MANCHIN):

S. 3341. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit to Congress periodic reports on the costs, performance metrics, and outcomes of the Department of Veterans Affairs Electronic Health Record Modernization program; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. HICKENLOOPER):

S. 3342. A bill to authorize additional district judgeships for the district of Colorado, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. MARKEY, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 3343. A bill to provide a civil remedy for an individual whose rights have been violated by a person acting under Federal authority, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. HAGERTY, Mr. COTTON, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. MARSHALL, and Mr. RUBIO):

S. 3344. A bill to protect the American Taxpayer and Medicare; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. WARNER):

S. 3345. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to prohibit contributions and donations by foreign nationals in connection with ballot initiatives and referenda; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. BENNET (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 3346. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to classify certain automatic fire sprinkler system retrofits as 15-year property for purposes of depreciation; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TOOMEY (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, and Ms. ROSEN):

S. 3347. A bill to identify and impose sanctions with respect to persons who are responsible for or complicit in abuses toward dissidents on behalf of the Government of Iran; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself and Ms. WARREN):

S. 3348. A bill to reauthorize the Freedom of Way National Heritage Area, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. ROUNDS (for himself and Mr. VAN HOLLEN):

S. Res. 473. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on the necessity of maintaining the United Nations arms embargo on South Sudan until conditions for peace, stability, democracy, and development exist; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. SCOTT of Florida (for himself, Mr. LUMMIS, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. HAWLEY, and Mr. CRUZ):

S. Res. 474. A resolution demanding that the Communist Party of China prove that Peng Shuai is free from censorship, coercion, and intimidation and fully investigate the sexual assault allegations against former Vice Premier Zhang Gaoli; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. TILLIS):

S. Res. 475. A resolution recognizing the 73rd anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the celebration of "Human Rights Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Mr. KING):

S. Res. 476. A resolution designating December 18, 2021, as "National Wreaths Across America Day"; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 72

At the request of Mr. VAN HOLLEN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 72, a bill to require full funding of part A of title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act